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Title: Microfluidic Device

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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS
FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Applicant recognizes that in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, the Examiner's reasons for allowance need not set forth all of the details as to why the claims are allowed.

Applicant does not concede that the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance are the only reasons for which the claim is allowable. The claims may be allowable for other reasons as well. In particular, Applicant does not concede that all of the limitations identified by the Examiner are necessary to distinguish the prior art of record or to satisfy the requirement of 35 U.S.C. § 112. In addition, the Examiner does not assert, and Applicant would not concede, that the Examiner's reasons have any bearing on the patentability of claims in any other applications directed to the disclosed subject matter.

In addition, each dependent claim stands on its own and is allowable on its own merits. In particular, each dependent claim may be allowable on the basis of a combination of some of the features recited in the dependent claim and its base claim(s), which combination of features may not include all of the limitations identified in the Examiner's reasons for allowance.

No fee is believed due with this communication. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 19-2090.

Respectfully submitted,

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